

Special Issue

Recent Advances in Forensic Anthropological Methods and Research

Message from the Guest Editors

Dear colleagues, Forensic anthropology, while still relatively in its infancy compared to other forensic science disciplines, adopts a wide array of methods from many disciplines for human skeletal identification in medico-legal and humanitarian contexts. The human skeleton is a dynamic tissue that can withstand the ravages of time given the right environment, which may be the only remaining evidence left in a forensic case whether a week or decades old. Improved understanding of the intrinsic and extrinsic factors that modulate skeletal tissues allows researchers and practitioners to improve the accuracy and precision of identification methods ranging from establishing a biological profile such as estimating age-at-death, and population affinity, estimating time-since-death, using isotopes for geolocation of unknown decedents, radiology for personal identification, histology to assess a live birth, to assessing traumatic injuries and so much more.

Guest Editors

Prof. Dr. Ann H. Ross

Department of Biological Sciences, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 27695, USA

Prof. Dr. Eugénia Cunha

1. National Institute of Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences, 3004-531 Coimbra, Portugal

2. Laboratory of Forensic Anthropology, Centre for Functional Ecology, Department of Life Sciences, University of Coimbra, 3004-531 Coimbra, Portugal

Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (20 November 2021)



Biology

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 3.5
CiteScore 7.4
Indexed in PubMed



mdpi.com/si/70277

Biology
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
biology@mdpi.com

[mdpi.com/journal/
biology](https://mdpi.com/journal/biology)





Biology

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 3.5
CiteScore 7.4
Indexed in PubMed



[mdpi.com/journal/
biology](https://mdpi.com/journal/biology)



About the Journal

Message from the Editorial Board

A major strength of biological science is the diversity of approaches that biological scientists apply to their research problems. *Biology* reflects this diversity and brings together studies employing the varied experimental and theoretical approaches that are fueling biological discovery. *Biology*, the journal, is a fully peer-reviewed publication with a rapid and economical route to open access publication and is listed on PubMed. All articles are peer-reviewed and the editorial focus is on determining that the work is scientifically sound rather than trying to predict its future impact.

Editors-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Jukka Finne

Research Programme in Molecular and Integrative Biosciences, Faculty of Biological and Environmental Sciences, University of Helsinki, P.O. Box 56, FI-00014 Helsinki, Finland

Prof. Dr. Andrés Moya

Integrative Systems Biology Institute, University of Valencia and CSIC, 46980 Valencia, Spain

Author Benefits

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), PubMed, PMC, PubAg, CAPus / SciFinder, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q1 (Biology) / CiteScore - Q1 (General Agricultural and Biological Sciences)

Rapid Publication:

manuscripts are peer-reviewed and a first decision is provided to authors approximately 17.4 days after submission; acceptance to publication is undertaken in 2.5 days (median values for papers published in this journal in the first half of 2025).